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DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
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November 19, 2021

RFP #2022-16

Dear Vendor:

The Alabama Department of Mental Health (ADMH) is soliciting proposals from qualified accounting professionals to develop and prepare **Cost Allocation Plans**. Request for Proposals (RFP) will be accepted until **2:00 pm on Thursday, December 9, 2021**.

The submission of a proposal does not guarantee the award of a contract. Any contract resulting from the proposal is not effective until it has received all required governmental approvals and signatures. In addition, the selected vendor shall not begin performing work under this contract until notified to do so by the departmental contracting agent.

When submitting a proposal, please read the entire RFP document and return your proposal in the requested format. All proposals should be submitted in ink or typed and contain an original signature. Submissions should be delivered to:

AL Department of Mental Health
Office of Contracts & Purchasing
100 North Union Street, Suite 570
Montgomery, AL 36104

MAILING NOTE: Proposals may be sent via Regular US Postal Service (USPS) Mail, Express/Overnight USPS Mail, commercial delivery service such as FedEx or UPS, or hand delivered by the closing date and time. Emailed or faxed responses are **not** accepted. Also, please note: All US Postal mail, including express/overnight mail that is dispatched to any State agency is processed thru the State mail facility before it is forwarded to the appropriate State agency, thus delaying its arrival to the department. By using the USPS, you assume the risk of delay that may result in your proposal being received late and therefore being determined to be untimely and will not be reviewed. Postmarks of the date mailed are insufficient; the proposal must **physically** be received at the listed office by the date and time specified regardless of the delivery service used. **All proposals received after the deadline will be deemed untimely and will not be reviewed.**

Sincerely,

Cedric Harrison

Cedric Harrison, Purchasing Director
Office of Contracts & Purchasing

Organization: ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH (ADMH)

RFP Closing Date & Time: **2:00 pm on Thursday, December 9, 2021**
Review the mailing note.

RFP Contact Info: Leola Rogers
ADMH
Office of Contracts & Purchasing
RSA Union Building
100 North Union Street, Suite 570
Montgomery, AL 36104
Telephone Number (334) 353-7440
Email: leola.rogers@mh.alabama.gov

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Who **may** respond to this RFP? Accounting Firms and/or Individuals.
2. Who **may not** respond to this RFP? Staffing agencies, Employees of DMH, and current State employees.
3. In order to transact business in the State of Alabama all businesses domestic and foreign must be registered with the Alabama Secretary of State Office. (Domestic means within the State of Alabama. Foreign means out-of-state.) Website: www.sos.alabama.gov
4. If contracted with the State of Alabama, all vendors must enroll and actively participate in E-Verify. Website: <https://www.e-verify.gov/>
5. All vendors must register with STAARS Vendor Self Service. Website: <https://procurement.staars.alabama.gov/webapp/PRDVSS1X1/AltSelfService>
6. The Department of Mental Health reserves the right to reject any and all proposals if RFP instructions are not adhered to, such as: received after deadline (see mailing note), requested # of submissions not received.

The Alabama Department of Mental Health (ADMH) is soliciting proposals from qualified accounting professionals to develop **Cost Allocation Plans** for the Bureau of Finance.

DMH currently operates three Mental Illness Facilities which are JCAHO certified and five developmental community centers. DMH fiscal year begins October 1 thru September 30.

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SECTION I

A. Applicant Qualifications:

1. Vendors shall be knowledgeable and experienced in developing an approved Indirect Cost Allocation Plan by Health & Human Services, Cost Allocation Services (HHSCAS). The plan must be in accordance with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations, including but not limited to the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; i.e.: Super Circular, OMB Circular A-87, as well as Medicaid and other federal funding requirements.
2. Vendors must have considerable experience preparing cost allocation plans for state governmental entities.
3. Vendors must include a list of three (3) references* that include at least one engagement the vendor's organization performed in each of the past two years that confirms its specific knowledge and experience providing this specific service for state and/or local government entity.
 - *Each of the referenced engagements must have been for a governmental entity wherein more than five (5) allocations were required.

B. Scope of Work:

1. Development of the annual Central Office Indirect Cost Allocation Plans for the DMH for FY 2022 and FY 2023.
2. The Central Office Indirect Cost Allocation Plans must provide fixed rates for each facility and eligible Central Office Program area. Each plan will provide fixed rates for two categories: (1) salaries/benefits and (2) all other costs. Said plans shall be developed in accordance with all Federal and State of Alabama laws, regulations, and guidelines, including the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; i.e.: Super Circular and OMB Circular A-87.
3. The plans should be completed and mailed to DMH by September 23, 2022 and September 22, 2023.

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SECTION II

A. Proposal Content

Instructions must be followed or responses will not be graded.

Each proposal is to contain specific responses to each of the following requests and respondents are encouraged to respond fully to each inquiry, but to be as concise as possible. Submit the response to each item with the item reproduced at the top of the page of the response.

1. Submit a cover letter summarizing your proposal. Limit the cover letter to no more than one page.
2. Attach the Vendor Contact Page.

3. A Table of Contents of the submitted information.
4. Attach vendor information to include:
 - Include previous experience.
 - Include knowledge of the requested services and/or any special training.
 - Include any information pertaining to the respondent's abilities to provide the scope of work for this RFP.
5. Attach an hourly budget.
6. All pages should be numbered consecutively beginning with number 1 after the cover letter.
7. Submit two copies: one (1) original and one (1) copy of your entire proposal. **Note: Make sure at least one copy is single-sided.**
8. Clearly print on the outside of the envelope **RFP 2022-16—CAP.**

Your entire proposal must be received at the following address no later than **2:00 pm on Thursday, December 9, 2021. Please review the mailing note.**

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The Department of Mental Health assumes no responsibility for expenses incurred in the preparation of the proposal and reserves the right to reject any and all proposals. Additionally, ADMH reserves the right to waive irregularities in any proposals and request clarification of any information and negotiate with the firm and/or individual submitting the best proposal to secure more favorable conditions.

B. Evaluation Process

ADMH will examine each proposal submitted and may elect to conduct interviews with finalists. The department expects a final selection on or before January 17, 2022.

C. Selection Criteria

Selection shall be based on factors to be developed by the procuring state entity, which may include among others, the following:

1. Specialized expertise, capabilities, and technical competence, as demonstrated by the proposed approach and methodology to meet project requirements.
2. Resources available to perform the work, including any specialized services within the specified time limits for the project.
3. Record of past performance, quality of work, ability to meet schedules, cost control and contract administration.
4. Availability to and familiarity with the project locale.
5. Proposed project management techniques.
6. Ability and proven history in handling special project contracts.

D. Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on their responsiveness to the items contained in the content section of this Request for Proposal. It is expected that the review committee will rate responses according to the following ways:

1. Experience, stability and reputation –35%
2. Understanding of and responsiveness to the Request for Proposal – 15%
3. Expertise and knowledge of the requested service – 35%
4. Budget – 15%

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SECTION III

RFP 2022-16 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The following RFP Schedule of Events represents the ADMH's best estimate of the schedule that shall be followed. *Except for the deadlines associated with the vendor question and answer periods and the proposal due date, the other dates provided in the schedule are estimates.* ADMH reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to adjust this schedule as it deems necessary. Notification of any adjustment to the Schedule of Events shall be posted on the RFP website at www.mh.alabama.gov for review. All times are in Central Time.

Date	Item	Methods
November 19, 2021	RFP Release	USPS, ADMH Website, and STAARs website
November 29, 2021 by 2:00 pm	Deadline to submit RFP questions or requests for clarification in Word	Email to leola.rogers@mh.alabama.gov
December 3, 2021	RFP Q&A to be posted for review	ADMH website www.mh.alabama.gov
December 9, 2021 2:00 pm	RFP Closing Date	USPS or FedEx or UPS (Review mailing note)
December 9, 2021 2:00 pm	RFP Submissions: Two 1 original & 1 copy	USPS or FedEx or UPS (Review mailing note)
January 17, 2021 Approximately	Notification of selection status	USPS (In writing)
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RFP CONTACT PAGE

	RFP # 2022-16
Vendor's Legal Name	
Street Address	
City, State & Zip Code	
Contact Person	
Contact Phone #	